IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE PPLICATION OF: HIROSHI NAKAMOTO

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

SERIAL NO.: 10/721,878

FILED: November 26, 2003

FOR: VACUUM CLEANER

GROUP ART UNIT: 1744

EXAMINER: TILL, Terrence R.

ATTY. REFERENCE: NAKA3010/JJC/PMB

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication/amendment in the above-identified application.

Small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is claimed.

 \boxtimes No additional fee is required.

The fee, if any, has been calculated as shown below:

Fee Basis	Number of Claims After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For_		Extra Claims		Small Entity	Full Fee
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Respectfully submitted,

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION OF DECEMBER 6, 2006

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is responsive to the Office Action dated December 6, 2006 in the above application.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.